Vernie Groves's Fairy Tale About Being Abducted and Held in a Montpelier Hetel for a Week.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. FARMLAND, Ind., March 26.-Renewed interest is manifested in regard to the outagainst the twelve young men who originated the recent "fake" robbery which caused Barney Robinson's bloodhounds to For the past two weeks Mr. Mills has received several White Cap notices threatennot withdraw the suit and leave the town within a certain period. Among the different signatures used are "We Six." "Redskins," "Aztecs," "White Caps," and various other names that usually frighten the timid. The writers threaten to visit him in

wind up their chase at Mills's front door. ing him with severe punishment if he did a body some night and "make it so hot that he will regret that he did not heed their numerous threats." They intimate that their other visit was a joke, but that the next one will be in earnest. "Whipped with switches," "tarred and feathered" and other similar modes of punishment are promised. Mr. Mills has determined to defy his persecutors and push his damage suit for all there is in it. Mr. Mills has a nice family and the above method of treatment is generally condemned and has had the effect of exciting sympathy in his be-The damage suit is still under way and liable to be called up any day during the present term of court. The grand jury will be called on to investigate other charges against the young men, growing out of the "fake" robbery. In justice to the young men charged with conspiracy to injure Mr. Mills's reputation it must be said that they deny sending the "White Cap" notices to him, but attribute them to other enemies of the plaintiff, who are resorting to this method of warfare in order to give vent to their spite against him. MINERS ARE COWED.

### Little Prospect of a Strike in the Shelburn District.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. March 26,-From present indications there will not be any strike at the following mines this summer: Alum Cave, Hymeria, Star City, Jackson Hill, Shelburn or Currysville. The long strike three years ago was disastrous to the organizations at the mines mentioned, and a great deal of antipathy is felt among the miners toward John McBride for calling the strike off when victory was in sight. At the present time none of the six mining camps is organized, and will not be likely to send delegates to the district convention, which meets at Terre Haute May 20. The recent strike, which ended in defeat to the miners, has almost killed organizations among the miners around here. The present scale of wages paid is very meager and just enough to keep soul and body together. The strike and slack work which the miners have experienced | and the past few years has caused the men to lose all confidence in their fellow-miners. The late strike showed that in a great many brother organizations men went in and filled their places before the strike was settled, leaving their brothers in the lurch to bunt work in other places. The feeling among quite a number of the representative miners is that a strike at the present time would be fighting the inevitaole. All the miners realize there will be a reduction after May 20. Any attempt to post notices of miners' meetings is equivalent to a discharge. In the north part of the State several mines have reduced their miners without any serious objection. Should any strike be inaugurated in the mining belt around here there will not be any concerted action.

### WABASH HIT HARD. Had Many Members in the Embarrassed Order of Equity. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WABASH, Ind., March 26.-Wabash was caught hard by the failure of the Order of Equity. There are said to be between 100 and 150 members of the organization in Wabash county, agents of the society having worked the county from end to end. hen the order got into financial trouble last year some of the members wrote to the officers in alarm, asking whether the concern was solvent. They were immediately advised that the receivership prongs were spite work, that the receiver would be discharged after a hearing, and that the order was making and would make money sufficient to redeem all obligations. In spite of this assurance a considerable proportion of the members here dropped out, but there were many who remained. and who will save little or nothing from

### Holding the Bag at Hartford City. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

HARTFORD CITY, Ind., March 26 .- The Journal's account of the failure of the Order of Equity yesterday caused great commotion among the certificate holders in this city. A number of persons were caught by collapse, and it is estimated that several thousand dollars was pulled out of the county. The collapse was a great surprise,

### VERNIE GROVES IS FOUND. Girl Missing a Week Tells a Fairy

Story About Her Experiences.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. HARTFORD CITY, Ind., March 26,-Vernie Groves, the seventeen-year-old daughter of C. L. Greves, of this city, who has been missing from her home since Sunday. has returned. She was found at the Hartzell Hotel at Montpelier by Marshal Sleppy and sent home. She tells a strange story of her disappearance, saying that last Monday night she was taken to Montpelier in a buggy in an unconscious condition and renbers nothing whatever that happened during the time she was away. Her hotel bill was being paid for by a cousin who is staying at Montpelier. Her story will be thoroughly investigated by her father, who mises to make it warm for parties concerned in the affair.

# Capt. Gowdy at Home Again.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. RUSHVILLE, Ind., March 26.-Captain Jack Gowdy, consul general to Paris, and his private secretary arrived here last night from Washington. He has since been busily engaged in receiving the congratulations of his friends and is making preparations for his departure for the East, in three weeks. Mr. Gowdy will convene the state committee week after next and hand in his resignation. He will rent his house here as he already has had many applications for the property. Mr. Gowdy, on his return East, will Washington for a few days and pay his respects to President McKinley before ing abroad. He will also spend a few days in New York. He sails May 5 on the steamship St. Paul. Only his family, condisting of his wife and daughter, Miss Fanile, and his private secretary. Finley Mc-Guire, formerly Rushville correspondent of the Indianaporis Journal, will accompany

### Captain Gowdy to Paris. Baldwin on the Stand.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MARION, Ind., March 26 .- The defense today in the trial of L. D. Baldwin continued the drift indicated in Attorney Steele's statement yesterday, the being to fasten the responsibility for the activity of Grief Matthews in the jury bribing case upon John W. Crum, one of are alleged to have been approached. Attorney L. D. Baldwin, the defendant, was on the witness stand yesterday afternoon and to-day. He denied all guilty knowledge of the alleged bribery. He had stated that he had very little conversation with Matthews for years. The indications are that the evidence will not be concluded before to-morrow night and the trial will no doubt continue into next week.

# Indiana Beet-Sugar Scheme.

CHICAGO, March 26.-Advices from New Carlisle, Ind., reached this city yesterday that Nelson Morris, of this city, had assoclated himself with an Indiana syndicate which has purchased a large tract of land in the Kankake region for the development of the beet-sugar industry. It is proposed to build an immense plant and reclaim thousands of acres of land in the vicinity to open a vast area for this industry. Mr Morris is not in the city at present, and will not return from a pleasure trip for several weeks. His son Herbert admitted last even- this afternoon on a charge of desertion. resident of this city, was crushed against a resident of Omaha,

ing that the deal was being negotiated, but he preferred not to say anything until his the land was at present under water, but could be drained and converted into a splendid acreage for sugar beet culture.

Good Citizens Leaving Indiana. CHICAGO, March 26.-Chicago is to be made the rallying point next week for hundreds of Dunkards, gathering for the fourth annual migration to the newly established Large parties will come from Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, Virginia and Pennsylvania. The united company will leave Chicago over the Wisconsin Central Tuesday afternoon. Smaller parties from Kansas, Iowa and Missouri will be met at St. Paul. Overcrowding of the land where the Dunkards have hitherto been settled is the this general movement. The North Dakota community, which now numbers about three thousand, is in the Turtle mountain district, just south of the Canadian boundary on the line of the Great Northern road.

### Thought It Owned the Town. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

FRANKLIN, Ind., March 26.-The Longdistance Telephone Company, in putting up its lines through the city, is meeting with considerable difficulty with property owners, who are strongly protesting against placing poles in front of their premises. Securing the privilege from the Council, they acted on the presumption that they had the right to place poles where they pleased, and have met with several orders to move them. In one case the company called on the police to enforce their order, but it did no good, and the matter remains unsettled, the property holder strongly maintaining his right to prevent his property being damaged.

### Two Killed in an Explosion. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

PAOLI, Ind., March 26 .- A boiler explosion at the Sumers & Poe sawmill, twelve miles southeast of this city, killed Leonard Fears, the engineer, and Frank Moon, a helper about the yards. Not a scrap of the boiler or engine was left in place, pieces having been hurled a quarter of a mile. Fears's body was found one hundred yards away, traced by shreds of clothing and pieces of flesh on the trees. It was crushed to a jelly. The body of young Moon was found fifty yards in the opposite direction. The neck was broken, arms and legs shattered, and the body cut in two across the heart. The head sawyer, who was filing the saw at the time, escaped without a

### Natural-Gas Jubilee at Anderson. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

ANDERSON, Ind., March 26.-The Ar. ments for celebrating the tenth anniversary of natural gas. Committees on arrangements, invitation and reception are proposing that the affair will be one long to be remembered. Governor Mount will be an invited guest. The remarkable development of the city will be set forth in an appropriate manner and an exhibit of the industrial development shown. At the time of the drilling of the first well in Anderson for natural gas there were not to exceed five thousand people within the corporate limits of the city, but now there are more than 22,000.

### Long Trail by Bloodhounds.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. COLUMBUS, Ind., March 26.-A. Green's drug store at Taylorsville was robbery was discovered early this morning the bloodhounds in this city were sent for and put on the trail. They followed the scent to this city and down the Madison railroad to Elizabethtown, where they were called off. It was learned that a suspicious looking man had been seen in the neighborhood lately, and from descriptions given he is thought to be the thief. Sheriff Cox went down to North Vernon this evening, where he thinks he will capture the thief.

### Pennville Commencement.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PENNVILLE, Ind., March 26.-The commencement of the Pennville High School was held at the M. E. Church last evening. Rev. Hindley, president of the Ridgeville College, made the annual address. The valedictory was delivered by Wendell De Wees, one of the graduates. An original poem was recited by Maida Phillips, one of the graduates, which was dedicated to the class of 1897. The graduates are: Eva Griffith, Maud Hartly, Lillian Heller, Dewie Jones, Maida Phillips, Harry Sarber, Elva Scott and Wendell De Wees, C. E. Shimp is principal of the school. A Bluffton or-

# Suicide of Inventor McLean.

pecial to the Indianapolis Journal. VALPARAISO, Ind., March 26,-J. M. Mc Lean, of Chicago, patentee of the McLean gate, who has been in this city for the past week selling his gates, committed suicide last night by cutting the arteries in his left wrist with a razor. In his books were found letters. One was addressed to his son, H. B. McLean, No. 423 Fifty-fifth street, Chicago, in which he told of his intended suicide and gave him some good advice. The other was to his wife. No. 2017 Milwaukee avenue, Chicago, in which he charged her with marital infidelity, but saying he for-

# Living with a Bullet in His Brain.

special to the Indianapolis Journal. ALEXANDRIA, Ind., March 26.-William Cummins, aged thirty-one, made a probably successful attempt at suicide by firing a bullet into his brain this morning. Cummins entered the Welcome saloon and, greeting the occupants of the room pleasantly, walked rapidly through into a hallway in the rear of the barroom. Almost instantly the shot was heard. The wounded er. He is still conscious, but there is no probability of his recovery. Despondency,

# Warm Fight for a Councilman's Seat.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. SHELBYVILLE, Ind., March 26.-The Wolf-Weakley contest case for councilman has advanced one step to-day. Welf, the Democrat, filed suit for mandamus against Mayor Enos, City Clerk Norris and the four Republican councilmen, and Judge Buckingham this morning sustained a demurrer as to Clerk Norris and overruled the same as to the others. To-morrow they will be compelled to enter an appearance. The attorneys on both sides seem equally confident. Weakley still retains his seat and has appealed to the Supreme Court.

### Cost Him \$938.80 to See the Town. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SEYMOUR, Ind., March 26.-Word reached here this morning that Marcus F. Bennett, a farmer and live stock buyer, was behind the prison bars at Cincinnati. Bennett left Sparksville Wednesday with two carloads of live stock for Cincinnati. Arriving there he sold the stock for \$939 cash. This amount he put in his pocket and started out to see the sights. After being "run in" by the police last night Bennett had but 20 cents left.

# Muncie Embezzler Caught.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MUNCIE, Ind., March 26 .- Gus Stredlemeir, bookkeeper at the Whiteley malleable iron works, was arrested this evening in Cincinnati and a deputy sheriff went after him. Stredlemeir came here from Cincinnati a year ago, and since his recent departure it was discovered that he was short nearly \$300 with the company and failed to turn over other money he collected from employes for merchants. He claims the

### money was lost gambling. Stone Business Picking Up.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. BEDFORD, Ind., March 26 .- The production of stone at this station is this year is splendid. The average during the past week has been about fifty cars of stone forwarded daily from this station. the defendants, in whose behalf the jurors | The Monon is running a stone train be tween this city and Bloomington especially for the stone business, and they have been compelled to make overtime ever since the flood went down.

# Arrested for Arson.

special to the Indianapolis Journal. WINCHESTER, Ind., March 26.-On last Sunday night the barn of Hiram Puckett, five miles southwest of here, was burned by incendiaries. The case was placed in the hands of Detective J. M. Fletcher, who followed up the clews furnished to such purpose that Clint Lever, in that neighborhood, was placed under arrest this afternoon and it is expected that his accomplice in the crime will be apprehended to-

# Soldier Violates His Furlough.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal, COLUMBUS, Ind., March 26.-W. E. Tull soldier in the regular army, stationed at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, was arrested here

about a month and ran over his time of father returned to the city. He said that furlough. He was lodged in jail to await the coming of the officers from Fort Sheri-

### Marion Club Federation.

dan, who will arrive to-morrow.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MARION, Ind., March 26 .- The Marion Club Federation, at its annual election this afternoon, chose Mrs. O. H. Keller president, Miss Alice Goldthwaite secretary, and colony of that faith in North Dakota. Mrs. George Sweetser treasurer. The annual meeting was held to-night, an address being delivered by Prof. W. D. Weaver on the "Witchery of Women." This closes the second year of the federation.

### Farmer Hadley Fails for \$15,000. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MARTINSVILLE, Ind., March 26 .- John F. Hadley, a prominent farmer, and for several years county commissioner, assigned to-day. He owned 210 acres of good farm land near Mooresville, seven lots in Bruce Baker's addition to Indianapolis, beside personal property. Estimated assets, \$15,000; Habilities about the same.

### Fatal Fight at Lapez.

PLYMOUTH, Ind., March 26.-During a fight at Lapaz last night between Jacob Leeds and Blanchard Thomas, Leeds was fatally stabbed and Thomas was shot and instantly killed.

SHELBYVILLE, Ind., March 26.-Albert

## Indiana Obituary.

Wood died in this city last night, aged forty-nine. He was born in Richmond, O., and moved to Madison, Ind., in 1881, where he married Miss Annie E. Gowers. In 1882 he came here and opened a cooperage plant. He carried \$2,000 life insurance and leaves a widow and three children. James J. Armbuster died here this morning suddenly. His real name was Richards, but when a small boy he was adopted by Charles Armbuster and has always borne that name. For a number of years he was an employe of the Big Four Railroad and was thirty-two years old at the time of his death. Although ailing for several years,

DUNKIRK, Ind., March 26.-John W. Taylor, president of the Enterprise Window Glass Company, one of the largest glass manufacturing concerns in the State, died at his home in this city early this morning of consumption, aged fifty-three. Mr. Taylor has been connected with this branch of the glass industry all his life and is well known to the manufacturers of window glass and their employes. Interment at this city Monday.

his death was unexpected.

FRANKLIN, Ind., March 26.-Mrs, Frank Jones died this morning at Needham, after a long illness with consumption. She was well known in this community, and leaves a husband and two sons. A new I. O. O. F. lodge will be estabished at Buena Vista, six miles south of Farmland, during the month of April.

### Indiana Notes.

Miss Lucy Sosbe, the young Elwood woman who was so badly burned Thursday by her clothing catching fire at the stove, died last night. was filed at Lebanon yesterday on a chang

W. M. Brenton has disposed of the Mi ford Mail to B. D. Stephenson, late of Moline, Ill. Mr. Brenton will embark in the newspaper business in Alabama The citizens of Monrovia have an im-

of venue from Hamilton county.

provement organization, with N. E. Hubbard, a wealthy Quaker, as president. A fund has been raised that will be expended in boring for gas or oil. A new trial will be granted Theodore

Skotski, of Shelbyville, who is under two years' sentence at New Castle for aiding Burglar William Reinheimer to escape from Sheriff McFarlan, of Rush county. Thursday, at Arlington, a village in Rush bound over to the grand jury for stealing a sack of flour from a grocery store. He

A Muncie electric street car collided with buggy yesterday afternoon, throwing out Mrs. Thomas Clevenger and Mrs. Lorin Gates on the asphalt street, with several dozen eggs. The women were both quite severely shocked. An informal reception, attended by about

three hundred people of all denominations,

was tendered Rev. J. H. MacNeill, of Rushville, Thursday night in honor of the com mencement of his tenth year as pastor of the Christian Church of that city. The Richmond committee appointed select badges for the State G. A. R. encampment has decided that the badge for the delegates shall bear a picture of Gen.

Tom Bennett, who was one of the most distinguished of Richmond's soldiers. Thirty-five families from the vicinity of Milford Junction will leave next week for Carrington, N. D. The colony was got up by the Northern Pacific Railroad Company and will be one of thirteen teamloads to leave Chicago for the Dakotas next Thurs-

The Pabst Brewing Company yesterday purchased a half block of ground at Muncie, located on East Main and Washington streets, from John C. Greisheimer, paying for the same \$25,000 cash. The purchase was made with a view of improving the

property with flats and business houses. A reunion of Company F, Seventh Indiana Volunteers, was held Thursday night at the residence of G. M. Overstreet, near Franklin, at which a large number of the members and their wives were present, A permanent organization was formed and semi-annual meetings will hereafter be

held with Mr. Overstreet. With the increased attendance which the new compulsory-education law will cause, t is found that more room will be required for the Franklin city schools, and plans are now being prepared for the improvements and bids will be asked for. A fivehousand-dollar annex will probably be built to the High School building. The buildings have already been crowded for the past two years.

Marion Elks held an election Thursday night in which O. A. Sprague was elected exalted ruler; Carl Lewis, esteemed leading knight; Sol Allman, esteemed lecturing knight; James Bockins, secretary: R. Van Vactor, treasurer; C. A. Ball, trustee, and Steven Mossman, tyler. Benjamin Larrimer was chosen official representative at the Grand Lodge and C. W. Halderman and James Bockins associate representa-

Information has been received of the purchase of the Coldwater, Mich., Republican by Charles H. Newell, formerly business manager of the Wabash Plain Dealer, but who for several years has been the proprictor of the Coldwater Courier. Mr. Newell is well known to the Indiana newspaper fraternity, and in buying the Republican and combining it with his paper becomes the owner of a fine piece of newspaper property. The new paper will be known as the Courier-Republican.

# TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

By a vote of 17 to 13, the Iowa Senate yesterday killed the Whitehead bill to force railroads to carry bicycles as baggage. William Dulles, who for eight years has been treasurer of the Presbyterian Church

Board of Foreign Missions, has resigned on account of the excessive strain his work has entailed. Lee Merriveather, by his attorneys, has instituted mandamus proceedings against

the St. Louis election board in the Court of Appeals to compel the board to place the Merriweather Democratic ticket on the official ballot B. L. Garber, the traveling salesman from Belleville, O., who was found in Union street, Chicago, Wednesday night, with a

bullet hole in his head, died yesterday at the hospital without having regained consciousness. The police now think he committed suicide. The Iowa House of Representatives has passed the Senate medical-practice act without change, driving out osteopaths, faith healers, massage doctors and all others professing to heal unless they pass

examination the same as physicians. Itin-

erants are taxed \$250 per year. One hundred and fifty veterans of Columbia Post, No. 706, Grand Army of the Republic, of Chicago, who went South on business about thirty years ago are again to invade the land of the battlefields. They will go in response to an invitation requesting them to attend the Tennessee centennial, which opens in Nashville May 1. The hanging of John Hunt, which was to have taken place at Columbia, Mo., yesterday, has been indefinitely postponed, pending an appeal to the Supreme Court. Hunt, who is seventy-eight years old, has given up all hope and wants to die. He was averse to the appeal, and but for the action of his attorneys he would have hanged yes-

The Central W. C. T. U., at a meeting in Willard Hall, Chicago, has adopted a resolution against kinetoscope exhibitions of the Fitzsimmons-Corbett prize fight. The action was backed in strong speeches. A committee was appointed, with Mrs. Minnie B. Horning as chairman, to work for the passage of a city ordinance forbidding the exhibition of the pictures in Chicago.

# Flowers and a Letter from Mckinley.

ALTOONA, Pa., March 26 .- Among the floral emblems which were received by the family of William Painter, who was buried | Western Union Telegraph Company, was yesterday, was a beautiful wreath from the asphyxiated at the Rusk tunnel to-day, White House conservatories, a gift from where he was superintending some wire re-President McKinley. Painter, who was a pairs. Deceased was sixty years of age and

He has been visiting his relatives here for an iron pillar in the Union Depot, Pittsburg, by the crowd who were trying to see the President-elect. President McKinley also sent a personal letter of condolence, in which he recalled the incident perfectly and expressed the deepest grief at the unfortunate occurrence.

# PLAGUE ANTI-TOXIN.

Experiments Made by Health Officer Doty at New York Quarantine.

NEW YORK, March 26.-Experiments have been conducted on one of the quarantine islands in the lower bay by Health Officer Alvah H. Doty, with a view of dis covering a serum for the treatment of the bubonic plague. He makes the following

"During the early part of February temporary laboratory was constructed on Swinburne island for the purpose of investigating the plague bacillus, and if possible to produce a plague antitoxin. The work was begun in the laboratory on or about Feb. 17, and it was stocked with animals for the purposes of the investigation. On Feb. 26 a horse was inoculated with a culture of the plague bacillus. This was repeated March 4 and 9, in order to determine how early the serum might have acquired antitoxic properties. About one pint of the l5 for experimental purposes. From this about one-half pint of serum was secured. About one cubic centimetre of the above serum was injected into white mice. After thirteen hours the mice were inoculated with a culture of the plague bacillus, which experiments proved to be fatal to the mice within twenty-four hours, showing its effiviously injected with the scrum as above

stated remained alive. "Tests made to ascertain the curative power of this serum have not been so satisfactory, although in most of the cases it prolonged life and in one case a cure was effected. A test to determine the curative power was made as follows: 'Mice, inocuto (which killed in twenty-four hours), were afterwards (three to twelve hours) injected with one cubic centimetre of the serum. The results would seem to indicate | that the serum in this horse will surely be both preventive and curative. The horse which has been subjected to the above experiments has been inoculated twice since March 15, and blood will again be drawn and the strength of the serum

# DR. LUIS CONVICTED

Found Guilty of Conspiracy Against the Neutrality Laws.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 26 .- The jury in the case of Dr. Joseph Luis, in the United States Court, has found him guilty of entering into conspiracy to violate the neutrality laws of the United States in having taken part in fitting out the expe-The celebrated Farley will case, involving dition which sailed from here on July 9, the disposition of \$10,000 worth of property, | 1895, on the James Woodall and landed in Cuba fifteen days later. The trial has been in progress since Thursday and the jury after having been out all night reported a failure to agree. Judge Morris sent them out again with the above result. A motion was made for a new trial. Luis was recommended to the mercy of the court. Bail was refused and United States Marshal Evans said that Dr. Luis would be committed to this. After experience under the working jail to await the final disposition of the

Judge Morris announced that he would hear the motion Monday, and would then sentence the accused. The penalty is a fine not exceeding \$3,000 and imprisonment for not more than three years. Dr. Luiz is a finished scholar, and a sensitive, highstrung man, and prison life will prove very county, Lee McDaniel, jr., was arrested and | irksome to him. General Roloff, interested with him in the expedition, forfeited bail and is still missing. It is not known claims he needed food for his wife and whether he is in hiding in the United States or fighting in Cuba.

### Another American Released. HAVANA, March 26.-Caesar Esquerra

Montero, an American, born at Key West,

but not able to speak English, was placed under arrest eighteen days ago. He has finally been set at liberty, and though not compelled to leave the island, intends to do so at an early date It is understood that the American State Department is trying to ascertain the whereabouts of Thomas W. Steeps, th newspaper correspondent. When last heard from he was at Santiago and about to leave for Santa Clara. The civil authorities deny any knowledge as to his movements, It is not known whether he has been ar-

# Destroyed by Spaniards.

rested or captured.

TAMPA, Fla., March 26.-Spanish troops under General Molina lately destroyed the sugar estate "Carmen." belonging to Al fredo Hernandez, at Sabinalla, Matanzas crop, and a summer house near Matanzas were wrecked. Hernandez is an American citizen. Hernandez, through his attorneys, Coudert Brothers, of New York, will file a claim for damages against Spain with the State Department for \$200,000.

# Insurgents Slain.

HAVANA, March 26.-During a number small skirmishes which have recently taken place the insurgents left thirty killed in all on the field, including two leaders, and the troops captured five prisoners and a box of dynamite. The troops had fifteen men

Filibusters Landed. TAMPA, Fla., March 26.-Col. Figueredo. Florida delegate of the Cuban Junta, has received information that the expedition which sailed from Punta Gorda last Friday night landed safely on the northern coast of Cuba on Monday morning.

# WARMER AND FAIR.

Predictions and Observations of the Local Weather Bureau.

Forecast for Indianapolis and vicinity for the twenty-four hours ending at 11 p. m. March 27-Warmer, fair weather on Satur-General Conditions Yesterday-Nearly normal barometric pressure prevails, with

west portion of the country. Warmer, fair weather prevails, except slightly colder in the lake region. FORECAST FOR THREE STATES. WASHINGTON, March 26.-For Ohio-Partly cloudy weather; light flurries of snow along the lakes; north winds.

depression over the southwest and north-

### Saturday; north to east winds; slightly warmer in northern portion. Local Observations Friday.

For Indiana and Illinois-Generally fair

Bar. Ther. R.H. Wind. Weather. Pre. 75 West. Clear, 0.00 46 N'west. Fair. 0.00 a. m. .29.95 29 7 p. m..29.96 38 Maximum temperature, 46; minimum temperature, 27. Following is a comparative statement of the temperature and precipitation March 26:

### Departure from normal Total departure since March 1..... \*89 Total departure since Jan. 1...... \*37 C. F. R. WAPPENHANS.

Yesterday's Temperatures.

Local Forecast Official.

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1	7a. m	Max. 7 p. m
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ij	Buffalo, N. Y 26	4340
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	Cairo, Ill 41	60 7
	Cairo, Ill	62
	Chicago, 111	36
	Concordia, Kan 36	66
	Davenport, Ia 24	40
	Des Moines Ia 34	46
	Dodge City, Kan 34	80
	Galveston, Tex 60	72
	Helena, Mont 34	40
	Jacksonville, Fla 54	- 66
	Kansas City, Mo 36	56
	Little Rock Ark 49	76
	Little Rock, Ark 42 Minnendosa, Manitoba 6	10
	Marquette, Mich 18	26
	Margaette, Mich 18	66
	Memphis, Tenn 48	65
	Moorhead, Minn 8	200
	Nashville, Tenn 36	60
	New Orleans, La 56	74
	New York	40
	North Platte, Neb 30	66
	Oklahoma, O. T 46	8)
	Omaha, Neb 32	48
	Pittsburg, Pa	40
	Qu' Appelle, N. W. T 24	32
	Rapid City, S. D 30	64
	Salt Lake City, Utah 48	52
B	St. Louis, Mo 38	52
	St. Paul, Minn 18	36
d	Springfield, Ill 30	44
	Springfield, Mo 38	66
	Vicksburg, Miss 48	79
	Washington, D. C 34	46

# Asphyxiated.

LEADVILLE, Col., March 26.-E. E. Jennison, superintendent of construction of the

# DISASTER TO RAILROADS

ACTION OF CONGRESS NEEDED AT ONCE FOR THE COUNTRY'S GOOD.

Widespread Effects of the Supreme Court Decision-Business and La-

bor Interests Will Suffer.

Robert P. Porter, in New York Sun. The economic effect of the recent Supreme Court decisions, which makes agreements between railways with a view of establishing equal rates between shippers illegal. strikes a serious blow at the heart of our railway system. The disastrous effects, should this decision be maintained as to all traffic agreements, are intensified by reason of the present precarious condition of these properties. With rates now lower than those of any country in the world, with practically half the stocks and bonds of an investment representing over a fifth of the assets of the Republic, bringing neither dividends nor interest, with a quarter of a million less persons employed than blood was drawn from the horse on March | efficient service demands, and with all sorts of other troubles, falling thick and fast, comes this last and still further depressing decision. Well may the thousands upon thousands who hold these securities and the millions or more who should be engaged operating these great systems, look ciency. The animals which had been pre- with dismay upon this the latest complication in a problem so closely interwoven with the property of the Nation and the welfare of seventy millions of people. The effect of this Supreme Court decision may be to undo the intelligent efforts on the part of these great railway companies to bring order and equality of rates out of lated with the deadly dose above referred | the chaos and discrimination which existed when bankruptcy and panic overtook so many railways in 1893-1894. The situation is indeed serious, and there

is a uniform feeling that something should be done at once to avert what would seem to be a pending catastrophe to both labor and capital. That the necessity for action is pressing may be seen in the fact that the foremost journals of the country, irrespective of politics, have, with great unanimity, declared that the regulation of 200,600 miles of interlacing lines of railways in such a way as to best conserve the interests of the public and with honest regard for the rights of investors is a too complex and difficult problem to be settled by one court decision, even though that lecision emanates from our highest court. The economic side of this question is al- | be forced to retrace its steps and to treat together too vast and far-reaching in its | this vital matter with some degree of comeffect not to be taken into account. EFFECT ON INVESTMENTS.

For this reason the newspapers are taking up not so much the legal aspect, but the aspect which affects the investments the trade, the commerce, and the labor of the United States. On this point says the New York Herald:

"Railway managers declared that the only way to secure stability was by having all the competing lines in a given territory work in harmony-in other words, by forming pools. But the interstate act prevented of this law some of its original advocates advised the repeal of the anti-pooling clause. Many merchants and commercial organizations favored this, and a bill to secure the repeal was introduced in Congress and passed the House a year ago, but failed in the Senate. Meanwhile the roads, many of them bankrupted or impoverished and tired of cutting one another's throats, strove to reach some basis of agreement In the summer of 1895, when their great meeting was held in this city, grain was being carried from the Mississippi river to the seaboard for 10 cents a hundred weight. At that time the mileage of an empire was in the hands of receivers, bondholders were foreclosing and stockholders, instead of | bled: getting dividends, were contributing heavy assessments to put the companies on their feet. The extent to which all this was caused by inflated capitalization and dishonest management it is aside from our present purpose to discuss. It is sufficient to say that the prevailing rates were not only ruinous to millions of investors, but | the public from excessive and unreasonable by their uncertainty and constant varia-

tions demoralizing to trade. By way of immediate remedy the Herald suggests: "We are inclined to think the solution w be found in permitting the railways to form Interstate-commerce Commission. The Philadelphia Inquirer, a journal oc cupying as independent a position on all

corporation questions as the New York Herald, makes this clear distinction be tween railway agreements and trust combinations, which the Sherman anti-trust law would seem to cover. There is a vast difference in railway competition and ordinary trade competition, the Inquirer says,

"But railroads are not on the same par with sugar refineries and limited corporations. The stock of a railroad is held by a great many individuals. In the recent discussion over the income tax it was discovered that the stockholders are legion and that small savings had been invested in what was considered a safe way. These rate-cutting wars have sent more than one road into the hands of a receiver, have destroyed the earning capacity of such, and made the holding of their stock unprofit able. Square and honest competition is al ways to be encouraged, but competition that brings disaster is quite another thing Rate cuts have resulted in cheap rates for the time being, and for that time being were of service to the shippers, but beyond these temporary results were the losses to the stockholders, who are by far the larger number. It was long ago deemed necessary for competing roads to come to some sort of an agreement. This they have done or have attempted to do at various times. There is no general complaint of extortion now. Rates are low, and as a usual thing to give more employment to idle labor. The proper medical attention. He was then as-Court decision shall throw open the to another era of railroad wars the country

### is likely to suffer from it." ATTITUDE OF SHIPPERS. Shippers are, upon the whole, satisfied with the present condition, but would be better pleased with the passage of the pending bill permitting railways to form traffic

associations, subject, as the Herald says, to review by the commission. At the annual meeting of the National Board of Trade, held in Washington in January, 1897, an important report of the committee on railroad transportation was adopted looking to a further remedy of existing difficulties through the medium of the Interstatecommerce Commission. Among other things this report says:

"That the great majority of railroad managers and of shippers on railroads are sincerely desirous of remedying these unjust discriminations there can be no doubt; and with the co-operation of this majority with the Interstate-commerce Commission. would seem that they might be gradually eliminated, but, as a condition necessary thereto, railroads must be given the power to enforce their agreements upon other, which they are now prohibited from doing by the prohibition of pooling in the interstate-commerce law. This law should be so amended that pooling under the authority and supervision of the Interstatecommerce Commission should be allowed. There can be no possible doubt of the wisdom of this plan. Those who oppose it have not a true conception of what pooling really is. They do not realize that it is nothing more than the exercise of a restraining influence against rate wars and secret rate making. Those who do not appreciate this or hold that the public interest always requires the lowest possible rates, will change their opinion if another year of extermination should be precipitated by this decision. They will find out that the adage, competition is the life of trade, may be changed, with equal truth, to competition is the death of trade. The Philadelphia Press, as will be seen. makes the point that the public are chiefly

interested in solvent railways and stable "The public is first and chiefly interested in having both solvent roads and stable rates. It cannot have the latter unless it has the former, and unless it has both, railroads will steadily deteriorate and the community lose. Congress ought to pass the pooling act, which nearly became a law in the last Congress, but in default of this traffic associations are necessary. It will be hoped that enough difference exists between the Transmissouri and Joint Traffic Associations to render a decision possible in favor of the latter when it comes before the Supreme Court, in spite of the

The New York Times, as a rule opposed to the interests of railways and of corporawill be altogether too appalling for Congress to ignore it. Here is the epitome of the Times's article: "We shall not presume to say that the

Supreme Court is in error when it says that the Sherman anti-trust law was intended to cover transportation companies. and to secure unlimited competition between them by absolutely prohibiting all agreements that would restrain competi-But we are firm in the conviction that if that was the purpose of the law, and if the law can be enforced to carry out that purpose, it not only will not pre-

# Fainting Spells and Dizziness Follow La Grippe.

# WE HEAR LESS ABOUT THIS DISEASE THAN FOR-MERLY, BUT IT IS STILL VERY PREVALENT.

From the New Era, Greensburg, Ind.

declared her case to be hopeless.

told the story of her extraordinary recovery. all my own work.' ing the four years following, my health partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, continued to decline, until finally I was neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the hardly able to move.

scarcely able to move about the house. I cesses of whatever nature. or any case like mine positively could not in bulk. They may be had of all druggists.

A noteworthy instance of the fallibility of be cured. Different physicians in Greenseven the most skillful physicians is furnished burg and other cities who attended me, agreed in the case of Mrs. J. E. Smith, of Greens- that my case was hopeless. For three years I lingered in misery, trying different doctors and remedies, but none did me any notice-For four years Mrs. Smith was afflicted able good. Finally my druggist advised me with a nervous affection that finally left her to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale almost completely helpless and which the People, which was so highly recommended physician who first attended her said posi- by newspapers. As a last resort I tried tively could not be cured. Subsequently, a them, thinking that if they did me no good number of physicians in this and other cities, death might soon give me relief. The first dose helped me, and with every dose I im-To-day in spite of the verdict of the doc- proved. I took about three boxes and a tors, and without their aid, Mrs. Smith is half and was completely cured, as you see perfectly well. To a New Era reporter she me to-day, perfectly healthy and able to do

"Five years ago I had a severe attack of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are an unfailing la grippe, followed later by another. Dur- specific for such diseases as locometer ataxia, after effect of la grippe, palpitation of the "After having the grippe," said Mrs. heart, pale and sallow complexions, that tired Smith, "I was able to be about for awhile, feeling resulting from nervous prostration, all and to do some work. But in a short time diseases resulting from ritiated humors in the after the second attack, I began to experi- blood, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, ence nervousness, and often had fainting etc. They are also a specific for troubles pespells, my trouble being similar to hysteries. culiar to females, such as suppressions, ir-I gradually grew worse, and in a short regularities and all forms of weakness. In while I became subject to such spells of men they effect a radical cure in all cases nervousness that I could do no work, being arising from mental worry, overwork or ex-

could not sleep and could not eat. I would These pills are manufactured by the Dr. lie awake nights, my muscles twitching con- Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, tinuously. My physician called it nervous- N. Y., and are sold only in boxes bearing the ness of the throat and breast, and after treat- firm's trade-mark and wrapper at 50 cents a ing me for several months said that my case box or six boxes for \$2.50, and are never sold

The result would be too appalling, and be- lives. fore it had been reached Congress would ST. PAUL, March 26.-William F. Bickel, mon sense and conscience."

vice president and manager of the Minne-The same ground is taken in a very able sota Savings Bank, was arrested late this article in the Commercial Advertiser, Among other things the Commercial Advertiser says: "The interests of the railroads are identical with the interests of the public. Both demand solvent roads and stable rates. One is no more important than the other. The first cannot exist without the latter, In a vast country like this, where the territory is so great, the railroads should receive decent treatment, if not some little encouragement. That they have not received either fair treament or encourage

If the present Congress has time it would be well to take up the measure and pass A POOLING LAW ADVOCATED. The several state commissions of railways, whose duties it is to look after the public welfare in all matters relating to railways, and who are generally well-informed and competent judges in such mat-

ment is clearly shown by the number of

roads now in bankruptcy or in process of

reorganization. If what is known as the

'pooling act' had been passed by the last

Congress it would have been very beneficial

both to the railroads and to the people

ters, said recently, in convention assem-"Resolved. That it is the sense of this convention that competing common carriers may safely be permitted to make lawfu! contracts with each other for the apportionment of competitive traffic or the earnings therefrom, provided that conditions and restrictions be imposed which protect charges.

If this decision of the Supreme Court of

the United States shall awaken the whole country to the immediate necessity of passing the interstate-commerce law now before Congress it will have served a useful purpose. This bill passed Congress two years ago, and would have passed the Senate only there was too little time to reach it. A majority of the Senate committee approved the bill. The bill as it stands today practically meets the approval of all conflicting interests. It is undoubtedly a judicious measure in the interest of the public, the shipper, the railway employe. and the railway. Under such a law the public would have, not higher rates, but rates properly adjusted as between competing points of production and consumption, always free from individual discrimination and steadily persistent from year to year. The passage of this measure, while perhaps not wholly remedying the trouble, would enable our railways to enforce freedom of contract, and that means the enfreights. That is, one shipper would be on equal terms with another. It would probably prevent the amassing of enormous fortunes by favored shippers. It would not increase the cost of transportation to the average shipper. The people would be bene- enth rib, receiving a dangerous although fited because it would give the railways | not fatal wound. a better chance to distribute the additional revenue which a cessation of rate wars | had witnessed the affray to get away witnwould bring in wages to labor that is bad- out being identified. It is said that the ly needed on almost every line in the shooting occurred at a resort somewhat re-United States, Instead of paralyzing our moved from the city and not under close whole railway system and further reducing police surveillance. A couple of the the number of employes and their wages, wounded man's friends assisted him to hasas would surely follow a disintegration of tily tie up the wound so that the flow of these traffic associations, the passage of | blood was stanched until he could be taken this law would be a practical, sensible way to a surgeon's office, where he was given shippers are satisfied. If this Supreme passage of this law is as important and sisted home and it was given out that he far-reaching to the railways of the country had been injured accide as is the tariff to the manufacturing interests, or as the bill to revive the merchant marine is to the shipping interests. In fact, day, although suffering from the wound, it it would aid as much as any legislation was not considered safe by the surgeon to now before Congress in bringing prosperity. For Congress not to take up and pass such a measure for general relief would be a the real cause of his injury, but the facts mistake, especially since the decision of the | were kept from his relatives. Supreme Court, both from a political point of view and from the point of view of the general welfare of the country.

# Obituary.

NEW YORK, March 26 .- Mrs. Elizabeth Stilson died at Flatbush, L. I., to-day of pneumonia, aged seventy-five years. Mrs. Stilson went to Ohio when a girl, and at Clyde, Sandusky county, Ohio, became celebrated in the early days of the civil war by her activity in assisting to equip Union troops with clothing, etc. She was an ununsually intelligent woman, and among her pupils when she taught school in Ohio were General Rosecrans and others who later became national characters. She was well acquainted with General Sherman and many other leading men.

DANVILLE, Ill., March 26 .- Isaac Stern, a wealthy merchant of place, died to-day from the grip. No funeral services will be held here. His remains will be taken to Chicago on a special train Sunday, and the interment will be in Rose Hill Cemetery in that city. PARIS, March 26.-Edmund Charles Yon, the well-known French etcher, engraver and painter, is dead. He was born in Paris March 31, 1841. He received medals for his engravings in 1872 and 1874. He was a familiar figure in Paris.

### Movements of Steamers. LIVERPOOL. March 26.-Arrived: Ger-

manic, from New York, Sailed: Taurie,

for New York. NEW YORK, March 26.-Arrived: La Champagne, from Antwerp; Britannic, from Liverpool. QUEENSTOWN. March 26.-Sailed; Rhynland, from Liverpool, for Philadel-

ANTWERP, March 26.-Arrived: Pennsylvania, from Philadelphia LONDON, March 26.-Arrived: Massachusetts, from New York. ROTTERDAM, March 26.-Arrived: Ohio, from Baltimore, HAMBURG, March 26.-Arrived: Persia, from New York. MOVILLE, March 26.-Sailed: Furnessia,

### for New York. Street Commissioner Removed.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 26.-Mayor Hooper to-day summarily removed Dr. G. Welling Bryant, colored, from the office of street cleaning commissioner on the charge tions, thinks the results of this decision of defrauding the city, which charge, it is said, Wellington has admitted to be true. The amount involved is said to be about \$5,000. Bryant came here from Ohio.

# Can Hold Office for Life.

PLAINFIELD, Wis., March 26.-William Schenck, town treasurer of the adjoining town of Pine Grove, has the most remarkable history regarding his office and age of any person in central Wisconsin. He is past eighty-three years, is hale and hearty, and has been treasurer of Pine Grove nineteen consecutive years. He was born in New vent restraint of the trade of transporta- | Jersey, Nov. 16, 1814, and settled in Wiscontion, but it will throw that trade into sin in 1859, and has lived in this town and

chaos, and will go very far toward not only | Pine Grove since 1863. He will probably be restraining but destroying it. Of course, this will not really be allowed to occur. intend to give him the office as long as he

## Charged with Grand Larceny.

afternoon under an indictment charging him with grand larceny, in that he accepted as a deposit the sum of \$268 from Huldah Peterson, entering it on her pass book, but not in the bank's book. The Minnesota Savings Bank failed three months ago, and this is the first public action by the authorities in line with various sensational rumors that have been current. Strike of Nail Workers. CLEVELAND, O., March 25.-The H. P.

#### of a member of the union. After the funeral the men met and decided not to go back to work to-morrow, nor until they had se-

nail works were closed to-day, four hun-

dred men, including all the nailmakers and

their helpers, having struck. The works

were closed this morning at the request of

the men to allow them to attend the funeral

cured a satisfactory adjustment of the

Montreal Shaken Again. MONTREAL, March 27 .- At 12:10 this morning another severe shock of earthquake was felt in Montreal, which lasted twelve seconds. It was fully as severe as the shock felt on Tuesday evening last, and was accompanied by a series of noises like an explosion. The most substantial buildings in the city were shaken, and the em-

# A LOSER ON CORBETT.

ployes ran out of the newspaper offices and

the postoffice in fright.

A Young Business Man Reported Mys-

teriously Shot. A story about an alleged shooting scrape that occurred in this city Tuesday or Wednesday night, with a very mysterious tinge, is afloat. It was almost impossible last night to gain any definite account of the affair. It seems, however, that a prominent business man, about thirty-five years of age, who is said to have no family en-Fitzsimmons-Corbett fight. The business man did not go to the fight, but "plunged" pretty heavily, losing something like \$5,000, the story goes. He began dissipating, and was in no numor for the jibes and jeers of some of his acquaintances who knew of the loss he had sustained. As the story has it, the affair terminated in a personal comforcement of the present schedule rate of | bat. The young man attacked one of those who were goading him, and the latter drew a revolver and fired point blank. Luckily, however, the young man was turned toward his assailant at an angle, and received the ball in the vicinity of the elev-

> There was a wild scramble of those who broken rib. To keep up this story he ap peared in his accustomed haunts the next probe for the bullet until yesterday. A few of the man's most intimate friends knew of

Naturally enough those who were spectators of the scene, one or two of them well known in business circles, were anxious to keep the matter quiet, and the habitues of the resort had no reason to court an investigation by the police, and the shooting was not brought to the attention of the authorities. Inquiries among two or three prominent physicians last night disclosed nothing. Those who knew or might be supposed to

### that no woman was in anywise connected Building Permits.

with it.

know something of the affair maintained a

discreet silence. There is a positive dental

of the suggestion that the shooting was the

result of a jealous quarrel, and it is said

William P. Jungelaus, brick warehouse, 217 Massachusetts avenue, 81,200. Hattle Johnson, repairs to 279 North California Elizabeth J. Ferguson, frame house, 27 West Pratt street, \$300. James Craig, frame house, 519 North West street, \$1,600 Mrs. R. L. Butler, barn, 1486 North Senate ave-Fred Brandt, cottage, Pleasant street, \$1,30c.

Sarah J. Van Slyke, frame house, Omer street,

Henry Miller, addition to 431 East Vermont

### Von Berg Attempts Suicide. Frank Von Berg, who was convicted in the Criminal Court Thursday of obtaining goods under false pretenses, took morphine at the jail Thursday night. He said he took

forty grains. It required considerable work

to keep him alive, but he is now well again,



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